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EVALUATE

1. The SMA order for the evacuation of Russian dependents from the Soviet Zone by 1 May 1948 has been rescinded insofar as the towns around Berlin are concerned. The new order states that the evacuation has been partially deferred to 1 October 1948. The order was released on 15 March 1948 in Oberschöneweide, Köpenick, Potsdam, Wunsdorf, Zossen, and Nauen.
2. The order for the evacuation of Russian dependents from Cottbus by 10 March 1948 was completed on 19 March. During the same period dependents were evacuated from Finsterwalde, Senftenberg, Rathenow, Perleberg, Prenzlau, and Templin. There are still some Soviet families in Neuruppin but these have also been alerted for departure in the near future.
3. All leaves for Red Army troops in Saxony were cancelled after 21 March 1948. Officers were required to obtain special leave orders. Patrols have been increased to number one officer and ten enlisted men.
4. During early March 1948, Radebeul served as host to some 15,000 Russian dependents evacuated from Saxony garrisons during January and February. They were to move on soon after Easter.

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